Proposed Timeline of Holy Week

Saturday:
- Jesus arrives in Bethany six days before Passover (Jn 12:1)
- Stays with Lazarus, Mary and Martha (his Judean home)
- Possibly the supper and anointing in Bethany at the home of Simon the leper where Jesus is anointed by Mary. (Mt 26:6-13; Mk 14:3-9; Jn 12:1-8)

Sunday: Palm/Passion Sunday
- Jesus’ triumphal entry into Jerusalem (Mt 21:1-9; Mk 11:1-10; Lk 19:28-38; Jn 12:12-18) Fulfills the prophecies of Isaiah 62:11 and Zechariah 9:9
- Jesus weeps over seeing Jerusalem and predicts its destruction. (Lk 19:39-44)
- Jesus cleanses the temple. (Mt 21:10-17; Mk 11:11; Lk 19:45-46; Jn 2:13-25)

Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday:
- Jesus curses the fig tree. (Mt 21:18-19; Mk 11:12-14)
- Parable of the wicked tenants (Mt 21:33-46; Mk 12:1-12; Lk 20:9-19)
- Returns to Bethany at night.
- Jesus denounces the scribes and Pharisees (Mt 23:1-36; Mk 12:37-40; Lk 20:45-47)
- Jesus teaches in the Temple (Lk 21:37-38)
- Jesus predicts the destruction of the Temple. (Mt 24:1-3; Mk 13:1-4; Lk 21:5-7)
- Possibly, on Wednesday, the supper and anointing in Bethany at the home of Simon the leper. (Mt 26:6-13; Mk 14:3-9; Jn 12:1-8) Mark’s account is just after he says that it was two days before the Passover.

Holy Thursday, Thursday Night, Early Friday Morning:
- The first day of the Feast of Unleavened Bread and preparation for the Passover for Jesus and the disciples. (Mt 26:17-19; Mk 14:12-16; Lk 22:7-13; Jn 19:14)
- The Last Supper (Mt 26:20-25; Mk 14:17-21; Lk 22:14, 21-23; Jn 13 “before the Feast of Passover”)
- Agony in the Garden of Gethsemane; the betrayal of Judas and the arrest of Jesus.
- Jesus taken to Annas, the father-in-law of Caiaphas, the high priest. Annas sends Jesus to Caiaphas (Jn 18:12-25)
- Jesus taken to the high priest Caiaphas’ home where the scribes, elders, and the chief priests had gathered. (Mt 26:57-75; Mk 14:53-72; Lk 22:54-71)
- Peter denies Jesus three times.
- Jesus was kept overnight in a cistern below Caiaphas’ home.

Good Friday: Preparation day for Passover (Jn 19:14)
- Early in the morning, the Sanhedrin meets, they lead Jesus to Pilate. (Mt 15:1; Mt 27:1-2; Lk 23:1; Jn 18:28)
- Pilate sends Jesus to Herod (Herod Antipas, the ruler of Galilee) (Lk 23:6-7)
- Herod mocks Jesus and then clothes him in gorgeous apparel, and sends Jesus back to Pilate (Lk 23:6-12)
• Pilate examines Jesus and finds him not guilty of the Jew’s charges against him. Pilate has Jesus flogged and plans to release him. (Lk 23:13-16; Jn 19:1-13)
• Jesus is crowned with thorns. (Jn 19:1-6)
• Jesus is sentenced to death and is crucified at 9:00 in the morning (Mk 15:25)
• Jesus dies at 3:00 and is buried in the tomb. (Mt 27:46; Mk 15:34; Lk 23:44)

Holy Saturday: Jesus’ body in the tomb.

Easter Sunday:
• Early in the morning of the first day of the week, Mary Magdalene, Mary the mother of James, and Salome (Joana?) brought spices to anoint Jesus’ body. The stone had been rolled away, the tomb was open, the body was gone, and they were told by an angel (two angels, a young man or two men in white clothes) that Jesus had been raised, and to go tell the disciples that Jesus has risen and would see them in Galilee. (Mt 28:1-10; Mk 16:1-8; Lk 24:1-12)
• The disciples did not believe the women, but Peter ran to the tomb. (Lk 24:10-12)
• Jesus appears to Mary Magdalene and tells her to go to the disciples. She is the first person on record to see the risen Jesus. (Jn 20:11-17)
• Matthew’s account: Mary Magdalene and the other Mary were on their way to tell the disciples what the angel had said, when Jesus met them and said, “Hail!” “And they came up and took hold of his feet and worshipped him. Then Jesus said to them, ‘Do not be afraid; go and tell my brethren to go to Galilee, and there they will see me.’” (Mt 28:5-10)
• Mary Magdalene tells the disciples, “I have seen the Lord”. (Jn 20:18)
• Jesus appears to Peter (Cephas) (Paul’s account in 1Cor 15:5)
• Two disciples walking to Emmaus recognize Jesus in the breaking of the bread. (Lk 24:13-32)
• The two disciples immediately return to Jerusalem, find the Eleven gathered, and are told that Jesus has appeared to Peter (Simon). (Lk 24:33-35) “While they were saying this, Jesus stood among them…” (Lk 24:36) “On the evening of that day, the first day of the week…Jesus came and stood among them…” (Jn 20:19) “Now Thomas…was not with them when Jesus came.” (Jn 20:24)

Later:
• “Eight days later, his disciples were again in the house, and Thomas was with them…Jesus came and stood among them…” (Jn 20:26)
• Jesus appears to the disciples by the Sea of Tiberias (Sea of Galilee). “This was now the third time that Jesus was revealed to the disciples after he was raised from the dead.” (Jn 21:1-25)
• The Great Commissioning of the Disciples: “Now the eleven disciples went to Galilee, to the mountain to which Jesus had directed them.” (Mt 28:16-20)
• Paul’s account: “…he appeared to Cephas (Peter), then to the Twelve. Then he appeared to more than five hundred brethren at one time….Then he appeared to James, then to all the apostles. Last of all…he appeared to me.” (1Cor 15:3-9)